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SUNK OUR WAR SUPPLIES

Ammunition For Philippine Army Posts Sent to Bottom By Russians

ACT OF VLADIVOSTOCK SQUADRON

The British Steamer Knight Commander, 6,000 Tons, the Vessel Sunk, Carried a Cargo Owned Principally by American Merchants and Containing no Contraband.

Washington, D. C., Special.—Minister Conner, at Pekin, has cabled the State Department that he has been informed that the Russians on Monday evacuated New Chwang. He also confirms the published reports of the sinking of the Vladivostock squadron of a British steamer with a cargo consigned to the American Trading Company.

The vessel mentioned by Minister Conner is the Knight Commander, Hopkins & Son, the local agents of the American Trading Company, report that the steamer sunk was of 6,500 tons and sailed from New York sixty days ago under charter by Howard, Houlder, Rowatt & Company, London and New York. The general cargo she carried belonged mostly to American merchants, and was consigned to the American Trading Company's shipping agents at Yokohama, on account of the chartering firm. It is stated positively that the cargo contained no contraband, and it is expected that the State Department will be addressed on the subject.

The week's investigation by the State Department of the problems connected with the operations of belligerent ships against neutral merchantmen, has crystallized in a letter addressed to the Pacific Mail Steamship Company. The Department does not deem it opportune to make the letter public, but it is understood to be based upon expressions delivered in preceding administrations of the State Department, which in substance warned shipowners against the carriage of contraband and violation of port rules imposed by belligerents in a position to enforce them.

The position of the Department in this matter will be speedily and publicly developed, not academically, but in connection with the first protest which is lodged with the Department against the action of one of the belligerents toward an American ship or an American cargo.

The case of the Knight Commander is regarded here as complicated and difficult of treatment. It is apprehended that if the contention of the shippers' agents that the cargo contained no contraband is correct, the general doctrine of "neutral flag covers neutral goods" has been violated by the destruction of the ship and cargo. A fact developed which might have led to serious complication had it not been announced that the Russian government had given orders for the release of the British ship. This vessel had on board a large quantity of supplies being shipped by the War Department to the Philippine government, including about 250 tons of powder and other material that would fall within the Russian definition of contraband. The Russians were being shipped through the house of George W. Peabody, of New York and the Orient, who telegraphed to the War Department that the Philippine stores were aboard the Ardoza, and asked the Department to exert itself to secure the release. The application was promptly taken by Acting Secretary Oliver to the State Department, but in view of the release of the Ardoza, it is improbable that any action will be taken by the Department.

Prominent Banker Dead.

Jersey City, N. J., Special.—Henry Lembeck, president of the Lembeck & Betz Brewing Company, president of the Greenville Banking Trust Company and a director in nearly every banking institution in Jersey City, died Monday morning at his home on Lembeck avenue. His death was due to a complication of diseases. He was 78 years of age.

Million Dollar Mortgage.

Austin, Texas, Special.—In the Twenty-sixth District Court, suit was filed by the Greenville Banking Trust Company of Muskogee, I. T., against the Commercial Telephone Company, with its principal office at San Antonio, for the foreclosure of a deed of trust and the appointment of a receiver to take charge of the assets of the company. The petitioners allege that on August 20, 1901, the defendant company executed a deed of trust on all its property, franchises, lines, switchboards, etc., and the amount of the mortgage was not to exceed \$1,000,000, and that subsequently bonds were issued and sold by said defendant company to defray the expenses of constructing its lines in Texas.

Want to Run Washington.

St. Louis, Special.—A committee was appointed by the national convention of the Lincoln Republican party to interrogate Booker T. Washington, J. Milton Turner and Bishop M. M. Turner to ascertain which one of them would consent to become a candidate for President of the United States on the Lincoln Republican ticket. A national committee was also appointed, with E. P. Penn, of Richmond, Va., as chairman.

14 Hours Hard Fighting.

London, by Cable.—Cabling under date of July 24, The Daily Mail's New Chwang correspondent describes a fourteen hours' desperate battle with heavy losses on both sides, and which resulted in the Russian position at Tatchekiao being rendered untenable, by reason of which they will be compelled to retreat towards Hiacheng. "The battle began at six o'clock in the morning," the correspondent says, "the Russians resuming the attack on the Japanese position on the heights east of Tatchekiao. After a few hours, the Japanese left flank from Taping Mountain captured the village of Tanghuidun, compelling the Russians to retreat to Tienhuatuen, six miles from their base.

"The Russians, now reinforced, maintained the position until 5 o'clock in the afternoon, when the Japanese right flank made a sudden appearance on the hills south of Tatchekiao, and by a tremendous fire, forced the Russians to retreat. The Japanese firing line extended fifteen miles.

30,000 People Quit Work.

Chicago, July 25.—With all peace negotiations broken off and with all the allied trades unions at the different plants with the exception of teamsters and the stationery engineers out on strike in sympathy with the butcher workmen who quit work two weeks ago, the stock yards Monday night had settled down to what promises to be a long, bitter fight.

As threatened for some time, the allied trades employed in the packing industry in Chicago quit work, called to assist the striking butchers in their efforts to bring the packers to terms. In several instances, the men did not wait for the official notification from their leaders to strike, but threw down their tools and quit work of their own volition. At six o'clock Monday night the statement was made by Michael J. Donnelly, president of the Butchers' Union, that every union man employed at the stock yards with the exception of the teamsters and the stationery engineers had responded to orders for a general sympathetic strike. The engineers, he declared, would join the strikers Tuesday, and unless there was a speedy settlement of the difficulty, he said, the teamsters would undoubtedly join the struggle soon. According to Mr. Donnelly Monday's strike swelled the number of men who have quit work at the stock yards in Chicago alone to nearly 30,000 persons. Both sides to the controversy declared that they were perfectly satisfied with the present state of affairs and that they were willing to make it a fight to a finish to determine who shall dictate the terms of a settlement.

A 142-Day Voyage From Hawaii.

Lewes, Del., Special.—The bark Poo-hong Suey arrived at the Delaware breakwater Monday from Honolulu, Hawaii. On the passage the bark touched at Kaholi, and is 142 days from that port. The crew was stricken on the passage with beriberi and one man died and was buried at sea. Three others suffering from the disease will be landed at the quarantine hospital here. The vessel was quarantined and is awaiting orders. The bark's very long passage was in consequence of severe weather and heavy seas.

Train and Street Car Collision.

Indianapolis, Special.—Two persons were killed and several injured last night in a collision between a Big Four passenger train and an electric car at Washington and Missouri streets. The dead are Samuel Romans and a colored woman named Harris. The locomotive struck the front of the electric car, throwing the car twenty feet.

Race Riot Near Danville.

Danville, Va., Special.—A riot at Stokesland, five miles from this city, late Sunday, resulted in the serious injury to four persons. The trouble arose with some negroes, who abused a party of white men, accompanied by women, because of the refusal of the whites to give them matches to light their pipes. Irvin Cook, white, and William Hall, Harvie Gwynn and Harry Flippin, all colored, received wounds, some of which may prove fatal. The women escaped without injury. Most of the population of the settlement turned out under arms, and a race war was narrowly averted. The police department of this city was called upon to quell the disturbance.

Japs Not Yet at New Chwang.

Tien Tsin, by Cable.—Information has been received here to the effect that the Japanese have not entered New Chwang. The Russian civil administration departed last night (Sunday) and the destruction of Russian government property began this morning at the instance of the administration. The fighting reported yesterday took place between New Chwang and Tatchekiao, and the Japanese troops from Tatchekiao were engaged. No engagement has taken place at Tatchekiao.

NOTES OF THE NORTH STATE

Newsy Items Gathered From Murphy to Manteo.

Attempted to Wreck Train.

Durham, Special.—An attempt was made to wreck the Seaboard passenger train between here and Henderson Saturday morning. Seven cross-ties were placed upon the track covering a distance of not more than half a mile. Fortunately the train was not wrecked and no damage was done. The attempt was made by Lewis Harris, a demented negro, who had the hallucination that some railroad man had done him wrong and he wanted to get even.

Fortunately Engineer J. W. Allen saw the first obstruction in time to slow down, and by the time he had passed over this one, he saw another. Running his train slowly for half a mile, he knocked the seven ties from the track. Just before the train reached the seventh cross-tie, the engineer saw a negro dodging behind a tree. The train was stopped and the negro taken in charge. He said his name was Lewis Harris and admitted that he had placed the cross-ties on the track, adding: "Some railroad men have made me mad, but I did not want to hurt anybody on this train." The attempt to wreck occurred between Tar River and Clay, Granville county. The negro was taken to Oxford, and is now confined in jail. There were about thirty passengers on the train and had the first obstruction not been discovered, the result would probably have been serious and fatal.

Physician Found Dead.

Maxton, Special.—Dr. W. L. Burns was found dead in the road near Patterson Park Saturday evening. He had been in failing health and it is thought he fell and was drowned in the very heavy rain which was falling. Dr. Burns was once a prominent physician of this place.

Port of Augusta Storm Swept.

Augusta, Ga., Special.—A storm of cyclonic proportions swept the eastern and southern section of the city Thursday afternoon, doing great damage to property and injuring several people. The Hale Street Baptist Church was completely demolished; a paint shop of the Central railroad completely wrecked; a small cottage on Hale street a complete wreck; the roof of a carpenter shop of the Georgia railroad blown away; the end of a house on Lincoln street crushed in by falling trees; the grand stand at the base ball park completely wrecked. J. K. Morris was fatally injured; Wm. Brown, head gashed and car gone; J. W. Livingston, Wm. McCarty, J. K. Calhoun and W. H. Fenly, slightly injured, all employees of the Central railroad. Sophia Turner was slightly hurt in a Hale street house.

Spartanburg Short on Water.

Spartanburg, Special.—There is no development in the city water supply affair. Since the recommendation of the president of the board of health that the water be boiled at least ten minutes for cooking or drinking purposes, there has been an unusual demand for the several mineral waters, which are offered for sale at various places in the city. It is understood that at the next meeting of the council, next Monday, reports from a special committee and from the board of health will be received and acted upon in some manner. The water works company's plant does not furnish an adequate supply at present, but the condition is unavoidable.

Killing in Tennessee.

Knoxville, Tenn., Special.—A special to The Journal and Tribune, from Jonesboro, Tenn., says that Robert Keys has been shot and killed by his son-in-law, Joe Martin, at the Keys home, 12 miles from Jonesboro. No details are obtained. Keys was a prosperous farmer. Both families are prominent.

The Tirza Encampment.

Rock Hill, S. C., Special.—A special time is expected, as extensive preparations have been made for the Tirza encampment to be held in Rock Hill on Wednesday and Thursday, 27 and 28 instants. This isn't an encampment, but is the celebration which has heretofore been held at Tirza, but upon the invitation of the Commercial Club, this year comes here. It is entirely under the control of the Commercial Club, which body is making great efforts to make it successful interesting and pleasant.

Russian Cruiser Passes.

London, by Cable.—The Constantinople correspondent of The Daily Mail in a dispatch dated July 18, says: "A Russian cruiser has just passed through from Odessa with several guns covered with canvas on her deck. She also carried torpedo tubes."

Many Newsy Items.

The Russian Vladivostok squadron is on another raid.

NORTH STATE NOTES

Many Newsy Items Gathered From all Sections.

Burned by Lightning.

Southern Pines, Special.—During a heavy storm of wind, rain and lightning Thursday afternoon, lightning struck the store of Alfred & Ewing at Aberdeen, and it was burned to the ground. Particulars cannot be given at this writing. So far as known no one was hurt. The storm lasted for several hours, electric lights and telephone wires were out of commission and Telegraph Operator C. W. Gravelly was forced to abandon his position at the telegraph office, so severe was the electric storm.

Section Master Killed.

Winston-Salem, Special.—W. S. Ellis, section master for the Southern Railway on the A. T. and O. division, was killed on the yard at Mooresville junction Thursday morning. He was lying on the track when the engine and caboose of a special freight backed on him. He was horribly mangled but lived an hour. Foul play is suspected. A man named Lowmilk, who formerly worked under Ellis, and who was found near him after the accident, was arrested and is being held for investigation. Ellis received his month's salary last night. He leaves a wife and three small children.

The Tobacco Outlook.

Captain E. M. Pace, of Wilson, has the following to say as to the prospects for tobacco this season: "In Eastern Carolina the farmers will not make more than 30 or 35 per cent. of their usual tobacco crop simply because, from one cause and another, they did not plant the weed. However, in the Piedmont section the tobacco crop is large and fine. In fact I have just come from Stokes and Surry counties, and I never saw finer crops in my life than I did there."

New Bank at Lumberton.

Lumberton, Special.—The First National Bank of Lumberton was organized with a capital stock of \$25,000. The officers are: R. S. Lawrence, president; T. L. Northrop, vice-president; H. M. McAllister, cashier. The directors are: A. H. McLeod, J. W. Ward, W. P. Barker, T. L. Northrop, J. A. McAllister, R. C. Lawrence and Thos. Gresham. The bank will open for business September 15th.

Robbery at Lumberton.

Lumberton, Special.—Robbers entered the store of Mr. L. H. Caldwell Tuesday night, taking several pistols and some clothing. An entrance was gained by a ladder reaching up to a rear second story window. Bloodhounds were placed on the trail, but followed it only a short distance.

North State News Notes.

Shelby suffered heavily from a serious fire early Monday morning. The number of free libraries in the State is now 770. Each week the State issues Treasury warrants on new libraries. An eight-year-old colored boy was playing with a pistol at Charlotte Monday afternoon when the weapon was discharged, fatally wounding him.

Insurance Commissioner Young reports that during three years since he took office, 23 persons had been convicted and sent to the penitentiary for incendiarism, the convictions being due to the excellent new law to prevent and punish that crime.

State Veterinarian Tait Butler writes to the Agricultural Department, expressing his satisfaction at the attendance at the farmers' institutes which he and other Department officials are now holding in central North Carolina. He says that at Pittsburg 124 farmers were present, at Carthage 179, and at Troy 184, and that this is very good considering the hot weather and the busy season.

The State charters the Bank of Old Fort, capital stock \$100,000; L. P. Crawford, and others, stockholders; also the Charlotte Plaster Company, to manufacture plaster, lime and various other building materials; capital stock \$100,000; D. Woodward and W. P. Bishop, of Atlanta, and Sadler Gillespie, of Charlotte, stockholders.

Richmond Bank Merger.

Richmond, Special.—The Richmond Trust and Safe Deposit Company and the Metropolitan Bank here, were merged last week and will hereafter do business under the name of the Bank of Richmond. John Skelton Williams is president of the consolidated institution, and T. K. Sands is cashier. The capital of the new bank is \$750,000.

21 Japanese Bayoneted.

St. Petersburg, by Cable.—General Kuropatkin, in a dispatch to the Emperor, July 20, says there has been no particular change in his sphere of operations. "Tuesday night," the dispatch says, "our sharpshooters and Cossacks surprised a Japanese outpost at the village of Khudlanza, ten miles southeast of Ikhavann. Twenty-one of the Japanese were bayoneted. Those who escaped were fired upon by mistake by the Japanese who came to their assistance."

NORTH CAROLINA CROP BULLETIN

Good Rains Have Fallen Throughout Most Sections of the State.

The Weather Bureau, of the National Department of Agriculture, issues the following Bulletin for the week ending Monday, July 25:

The weather during the first half of the week was warm and dry with temperatures ranging above normal; the latter part was showery and decidedly cooler. General rains set in during the evening of the 21st and continued at intervals in most sections of the State on the 22nd and 23rd. The heaviest downpours occurred again in the southern section, although there were heavy damaging rains in Davidson and Granville counties; while the lightest showers occurred in the eastern district, with practically no rain in the extreme eastern counties. Elsewhere the rainfall was sufficient and came at the proper time to benefit all growing crops.

In the extreme eastern part of the State there is a general complaint of drought, which has been unbroken for a number of weeks; and the crops in that section are beginning to show its effects. Corn and cotton continue to improve satisfactorily; blooms on cotton are now general. Threshing wheat is still in progress in the central and western parts of the State, excepting the extreme west, where harvesting is in the state of completion. Tobacco, on an average made very slight improvement during the week. There were a number of fields badly damaged by hail and wind storms, which occurred in several eastern and central counties on the 21st. Curing is becoming general in the principal tobacco growing districts. Peas are growing nicely. Melons are ripening and are being placed on the market; the quality, however, is generally not satisfactory. Apples continue to drop; prospects for other fruit are fair.

Rains for the week ending 8 a. m., today: Raleigh, 1.13 inches; Goldsboro, 2.22; Greensboro, 1.86; Weldon, 3.86; Lumberton, 1.32; Newbern, 2.22; Wilmington, 1.20; Charlotte, 3.00; Asheville, 0.70.

A New Cotton Mill.

There was Saturday sent to Raleigh articles of incorporation of the Elk Mountain Cotton Mill with a paid-up capital of \$150,000, with power to increase. The incorporators and those who have subscribed the stock are: D. G. Devenish, F. W. W. Graham, C. H. Miller, F. R. Hewitt, J. M. Westall, Peter Y. Yates, H. M. Brown, T. S. Morrison, C. F. Hopkins, S. Lipinsky, R. P. Foster, Dr. F. T. Meriwether, Dr. J. A. Burroughs, Haywood Parker, W. F. Rogers, J. G. Calvin, Gay Green, W. B. Northup, C. A. Royson, Chas. A. Webb, Theo. F. Davidson, S. H. Howland, H. Redwood, M. V. Moore, Julius T. Smith, W. T. Weaver and Slayden, Fokes & Co. The new plant will be a cotton weaving mill and will be located on the French River close to the W. T. Weaver Power Company, near Asheville. It will be an electric-powered plant and will be finely equipped for the manufacture of high grade goods. The plant will occupy the modern "weave shed" built for the William Whitlam Company, and will probably be in operation in four or five months. The mill will be equipped with the most modern machinery and from 150 to 200 persons will be employed.

Bank Merger at Providence.

Providence, R. I., Special.—The directors of the Union Trust Company, which has absorbed the Weybosset National Bank of this city, will complete the final negotiations for the merger. The Weybosset Bank was one of the oldest in the State and had a capital of \$500,000.

North State News Notes.

A charter is granted the Magnolia High School. There is no capital stock. The best people in the school community are interested in the school and will build it. A charter is granted the Bank of Wake, located at Wake Forest, which is one of the most thriving communities in Wake county. The bank will do a commercial business and its capital stock will be \$25,000.

Telegraphic Briefs.

Friends of the President are trying to avoid the raising of a political issue by the strike of 28 bricklayers employed at the Washington Barracks.

Two Americans, whose names are not given, were shot down by officials at August Caliente, Mexico.

It is said the annual report of the Pension Commissioner will be used in the campaign by the Republicans.

It was reported in Liao Yang that the Japanese had broke through the Russian left wing, and were marching on Mukden.

It was generally believed that Russia would yield to Great Britain in the Malacca incident.

Mrs. Maybrick, just released from a British prison, joined her mother in Rome, France.

The British Tibetan expedition forced Kasala pass and were only 92 miles from Lhasa.

The butchers' strike in Chicago and other meat packing centres of the country was resumed after the men had been at work an hour.

An Oakland (Cal.) surgeon operated on a woman patient while the house was on fire, and then carried her to safety.

PACKING STRIKE AGAIN IN FORCE

Alleged that Discrimination Was Made in Rehiring. All the Active Union Men Being Rejected—Applicants for Reinstatement Left in a Body.

Chicago, Special.—The stockyards strike, which was renewed Friday morning in Chicago and all the other points where the big packing companies have branches, because the strikers were dissatisfied with the manner in which the employers proposed to reinstate their former employees pending a settlement by arbitration, will continue for another day at least. A joint conference between representatives of both sides to the controversy and representatives of the allied trades, in an attempt to bring about a peaceable adjustment of this second strike, was unsuccessful and the meeting was adjourned at 8:30 o'clock, with the understanding that another conference would be held. At Friday's conference, which lasted five hours, a committee of ten, consisting of five representatives of the packers and five representatives of the meat butchers' union, went over the ground thoroughly. Whether the difficulty can be satisfactorily settled is problematical, as both the packers and the strikers maintain that they are living up to Wednesday's agreement for a settlement by arbitration, and that it is the other side that is responsible for the renewal of hostilities. After adjournment, a committee appointed for the purpose merely announced that the peace negotiations had failed, but that there was still hope that an agreement could be reached in the near future. No written statement of what transpired in the meeting was given out, as has been customary at former conferences, and the committee declined to give any further information except that another meeting would be held Saturday. Unless a settlement is reached the general belief is that a sympathetic strike of the allied trades in the packing industry, which was threatened last week to enforce the demands of the strikers, will be called. These unions have signified their willingness to stand by the butchers if they are called on to assist in the struggle with the packers for supremacy. In the following statement, given out Friday night by Mr. Donnelly, president of the Butchers' Union, the reason why the strikers refused to return to work is given: "The packers signed an agreement that there would be no discrimination in the rehiring of the men. This was accepted in good faith. On the return of the men this morning, they were lined up like cattle by the foremen and others, walking through the line, would pick out a man and say: 'You come up.' The next man would be pushed out of line and told that he could not be used, and it was always the good, active union men whom they could not use.

"Superintendent Pension, of the Armour cannery department, addressed the employees in the following language: 'You went away like cattle, and we will take you back like cattle.'"

According to estimates, 8,550 men were directly affected in Chicago alone by Friday's strike. Fully that number of strikers were on hand at 6 o'clock expecting immediate employment, while others were expecting reinstatement later. The cattle butchers left a body, and Mr. Donnelly's general order declaring another strike followed. The employers are employing various packing houses in the different cities affected by the previous strike, and read:

"Order out all the departments again. Companies violated agreement."

CAROLINA SEASIDE RESORT.

Wrightsville Beach Unsurpassed For Health and Pleasure.

Of all the avenues open to the weary and the overworked to seek a few days or weeks of perfect quiet and undisturbed repose during the heated summer period, none are quite so inviting as a stay at the seashore, where the never-ending splash of the waves of old ocean lull one, all unconsciously, to perfect repose and forgetfulness.

Many seaside resorts are open, each one with its advertised attractions but no other appeals so strongly to those desiring an ideal spot in which a long or short vacation can be most satisfactorily spent, as the Seashore Hotel, Wrightsville Beach, N. C.

Nothing here is wanting that could add to the comfort or pleasure of the most fastidious guest, whether that guest be the monied prince or the ordinary citizen seeking a holiday, so long as a capacity for real enjoyment is left. All alike will find a welcome at this magnificent resort, and each will be fanned impartially by the invigorating breezes that are the gratuitous gift from the bounteous Atlantic.

The Seashore Hotel has been enlarged to three times its former capacity, and no resort on the Atlantic coast affords such charms to the health or pleasure seeker. The management delights to give its guests the most perfect service and the greatest pains are exerted to make each feel at home and at ease.

This popular resort is reached by way of the Seaboard Air Line Railway, by means of a splendid schedule of passenger trains, a new one being contemplated that will leave Charlotte and up-country points in the late afternoon and arrive in Wilmington in the evening, carrying special parlor cars and first-class coach accommodations. The Seaboard system has become a well-known factor in developing the resorts of the South, and its schedules are arranged with a view to accommodate its ever-increasing patronage in every possible way.

No higher pleasure awaits the one in need of a vacation than a stay at the Seashore Hotel and a dip in the surf that rolls so near its spacious piazzas, and no need to seek further North or South, for an ideal place to spend one's leisure than at this popular resort.

SEIZURES TO CEASE

Russian Authorities Deplore Actions Violating International Law

WILL RELEASE THE LATEST PRIZES

Apparent Delay in Delivery of Orders to the Volunteer Cruisers Explains the Capture of the Scandia and the Ardoz.

St. Petersburg, by Cable.—The Associated Press is able to announce that Russia has informally notified Great Britain that orders have been issued to the Russian cruisers in the Red Sea not to arrest any more merchantmen, and it has been agreed between the two powers, that if, pending the receipt of these orders by the captains of the St. Petersburg and the Smolensk, any other ships should be stopped and held as prizes, these acts shall be regarded as not having taken place and the ships concerned at once released. Although it was authoritatively stated yesterday that the Malacca had already reached Suda Bay, it now transpires that when the Malacca sailed from Port Said she was bound for Algiers. Unless orders are delivered to her on the way, she will, upon arrival there, find an order to proceed immediately to Suda Bay, where, under the agreement reached between Britain and Russia, an examination of her cargo will be made by the Russian and British consuls.

Russian Conference.

St. Petersburg, by Cable.—Grand Duke Alexis presided at Sunday's council, which Count Lamsdorf, the Foreign Secretary, and Vice Admiral Avelan, chief of the admiralty department, and other high naval officers attended. The result of the conference removes all doubts concerning the present attitude of Russia with regard to the volunteer fleet. The validity of the view expressed in the British note regarding the irregularity of the position of the vessels was so far admitted that the council agreed to waive the right of search. After a long discussion, in which Count Lamsdorf took a leading part, it was decided that the present status of the volunteer fleet was not sufficiently well-defined according to international law, to render further searches and seizures advisable, and that, therefore, Russia, in the interest of friendly relations with the powers, should withdraw the authority given the volunteer fleet in this respect. Orders were sent to the volunteer fleet steamers St. Petersburg and Smolensk to refrain from interference with foreign shipping.

Roosevelt Notification.

Oyster Bay, R. I., Special.—Arrangements have been made for the notification of Theodore Roosevelt of his nomination for the Presidency by the Republican party. The ceremony will take place on Wednesday, the 27th inst., at 12:30 p. m. Following custom, the notification will be at Mr. Roosevelt's home, Sagamore Hill. The members of the notification committee appointed by the Chicago convention have been requested to assemble at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, New York, on Tuesday evening, to make preliminary arrangements for the ceremony of the day following. Speaker Joseph G. Cannon, chairman of the committee, will arrive in New York tomorrow. The committee will leave Long Island City on a special train for Oyster Bay at 10:30 Wednesday morning, arriving at 11 o'clock.

On account of the isolation of President Roosevelt's home, only about 125 persons will be in the party, including the members of the notification committee and relatives and friends of President Roosevelt, who reside in the vicinity of Sagamore Hill. The ceremony of notification will be as simple and unostentatious as possible. The wide veranda almost surrounding the President's house, will be draped with American flags. If the weather is fair, the committee will assemble on the lawn, and if not, on the veranda. Luncheon will then follow.

The Parker Notification.

Esopus, N. Y., Special.—Judge Parker has fixed August 19 as the date for the ceremonies notifying him of his nomination by the Democratic nomination convention as a candidate for the Presidency. Judge Parker reached his decision concerning the date in a long consultation with William F. Sheehan Saturday, and a telegram was once sent Champ Clark, of Missouri, chairman of the committee named by the Democratic convention to notify the nominee for President. Champ Clark is expected to call a meeting of his committee, probably to be held in New York, and he may also come to Roosevelt to talk over arrangements with Judge Parker, although no plan for such a conference has yet been made.

125 Ready for Work.

Cleveland, Special.—One hundred and twenty-five men who have said they were willing to take the places of strikers at the Chicago packing houses are awaiting the word which will send them to the scene of the great strike. Manager J. F. Shields says he has applications from experienced butchers who want to go, now that the packers have declared their intention of keeping all non-union men employed.

Homicide in Barber Shop.

New York, Special.—A quarrel in the barber shop of Vincenzo Saitto, in Third avenue Saturday, ended in a customer, a well-dressed, unknown man, being shot dead and Saitto, with a bullet wound in his shoulder, being held as a murderer. The shooting caused a panic in the shop, which was filled with customers, and the police reserves were called out to handle the crowd that quickly gathered.

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GOVERNOR AYCOCK STATED IN HIS INAUGURAL ADDRESS THAT UNDER, AND THEREFORE BY IMPLICATION IN CONSEQUENCE OF, FURIOUS RULE "LAWLESSNESS WALKED THE STATE LIKE A PESTILENCE." HOW STANDS THE USE TO-DAY GOVERNOR? HAVEN'T THE ACTS OF THREE RED SHIRT LEGISLATURES AND MORE THAN TWO YEARS OF YOUR OWN BENEFICENT RULE PASSED INTO HISTORY SINCE YOU PROCLAIMED THE FOREGOING? WHEN YOU ARE CAVORTING OVER THE STATE WHOOPING FOR EDUCATION AND ROADS DON'T YOU HEAR OF MORE CRIMES BEING COMMITTED IN NORTH CAROLINA THAN EVER BEFORE AND DO YOU CONTINUE TO ATTRIBUTE THESE TO FUSION RULE?

STATE'S ROAD HASH-HOSE AND BAR-ROOM MUST BE SUPPORTED.

The Wilmington Chamber of Commerce is very much wrought up over the fact that Gov. Aycock selected Morehead instead of Wrightsville as the place for encampment of the State's Guard. Several democratic papers have criticised the Governor for this act and say he did it just to throw the travel to the Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad, regardless of which was the better place for the encampment. Well the A. & N. C. Road must pay off its big debt and pay a dividend to its stockholders before this campaign is over, and looks as though these dissatisfied democrats would look at it in that light. And then too the State owns a hotel and bar-room at Morehead, which they have leased for the summer, and why shouldn't the State government help to make it a success.

SAMPSON IS TRUE BLUE.

The Sampson Democrat is reported as saying: "So certain is Parker's election considered in Sampson that already it has begun to be agitated as to who will be the next postmaster at Clinton."

And still the Democrats say they are not office-seekers. The Democrats are not only after all the offices in sight, but, as in the case of the Clinton post-office, a lot that are out of sight. Sampson county has not gone democratic in ten years and will not this year. The only way for a Democrat to get office in Sampson is for the legislature to create the office and appoint the man, for the voters will never elect one to office.

The Tarboro Southerner (democratic) says: "In some cases it appears that silence is silver and that speech is golden."

The writer of the above had reference to Judge Parker, of course, which tends to prove that Judge Parker made certain people believe he was for free silver by keeping silent, until after he was nominated, while he was really a gold-bug. And it may yet be discovered that he is a humbug.

After an unfruitful effort by the democratic leaders to get Gorman, of Maryland, or one Sheehan or New York State to accept the chairmanship of the committee, they have at last found one Thomas Taggart, in Indiana, whoever he may be, to consent to be their Chairman. Gorman is a better politician than we thought. He knew it would hurt him politically to conduct a campaign when there was no hopes of electing his men.

Prof. Coon has been appointed superintendent of the colored normal schools in Eastern Carolina. We have heard no objection to the appointment.

Mr. A. W. Maxwell Democratic State Chairman of Iowa has resigned, after repudiating the Democratic national ticket in the following letter:

Seymour, Iowa, July 18. Unable to countenance, aid, or support the candidates or platform of St. Louis convention, I have tendered my resignation as a member of the State central committee and as chairman of the same body. The announcement of my determination to repudiate the ticket has been delayed until this date in an effort to persuade myself that there was enough good in the candidate and the platform to justify me in remaining loyal to the ticket. Thus far I have discovered absolutely nothing to commend it to the voters of the country. Its surrender to Wall Street has been so complete as to leave no doubt of the party's further course. Donated as it is by the trusts of the country, I can see absolutely no hope for the party in the future and no hope for the country if by accident Parker and Davis should be elected. The party has been bound, gagged, and delivered bodily into the control of the very interests I have been fighting for the past eight years, and if its candidates, who are subservient to the Standard Oil Company and its trusts, shall be elected, it must be without my aid or sanction. I shall in the near future issue a more extended statement of my reasons for refusing to support the ticket. In view of my inability to support the ticket, I, of course, shall not attend the convention at Iowa City.

A. W. MAXWELL.

According to the Wilmington papers that city is on the verge of another revolution over the question of a democratic dispensary. The real question is who shall control the political situation in Wilmington. That question will be decided today, Wednesday. Both sides are claiming they will come out victorious.

"The Republican postmaster candidate for Congress and Lieutenant-Governor should let go the text when they go out asking for votes if they expect to get any votes outside the bread and butter brigade."

—News & Observer.

Since when did Judge Parker, your candidate for president, resign? Yes, since when?

Mr. Oscar S. Straus, of New York City, who was Minister to Turkey, under Cleveland's first administration, has notified President Roosevelt of his determination to give him his support.

The Tarboro Southerner last week contained 18 cards from democratic candidates for office in Edgecombe county. This was only one week's contribution, and still the Democrats say they are not office-seekers.

The Western Carolina news says: "The only picture displayed at the St. Louis convention was that of Thomas Jefferson. This leads to the suspicion that the only good Democrats, like good Indians, are the dead ones."

The Chicago Chronicle, which has been one of the leading democratic papers of Chicago, has recently joined the Republican ranks and will support Mr. Roosevelt in this campaign.

A BRITISH STEAMER SUNK BY VLADIVOSTOK SQUADRON.

Knight Commander From New York Was the Boat-German Vessel and Unknown British Steamer Taken.

Yokohama, July 25.—The Vladivostok squadron yesterday sank the British steamer Knight Commander, from New York, off the province of Izu, after transferring the crew of the Knight Commander to the steamer Tsiman, which arrived here this morning.

The Vladivostok squadron also captured a German vessel believed to be the Arabia with 3,000 tons of flour, and an unknown British steamer. The two vessels were sent to Vladivostok in charge of prize crews.

STORM IN ENGLAND

London, July 26.—The sinking of the Knight Commander by the Russians seems likely to raise a storm revealing that caused by the seizure of the Malacca. The act is condemned as an extraordinary and intolerable international breach which has not had a precedent in nearly a century.

The Morning Post regards it as an act of war, and asks why Great Britain keeps her navy on a "two power standard" and what the British Government is for.

A Wilmington Boy Wins Honor in Boston.

Neil D. Emerson of Wilmington, N. C., completed a four years' course in three years at the Boston Institute of Technology. He was prepared at the Horner Military School, Oxford, N. C.

A Voice From Wake.

Mr. Editor:—Please allow me to say through the columns of your much worthy paper, that the people of Middle Creek Township, which is the township of my home, are becoming more and more disgusted at our present democratic county government, high taxes, enhanced valuation on property in order to pay extravagant debts and many other things that I might here mention. The red-shirt gang have yelled "nigger" all along down the line so much until the people are tired of such foolery. The Republicans know that they just want the office. After they get the office they respect the negro as highly as any one. I have never offered myself as a candidate for anything, but if my name should meet such honor as is mentioned in CAUCASIAN of recent date I would accept. I have been trying to serve my Lord for 34 years as best as I could, and if my friends wish for my services in legislature then I would do the best I could there also. Good legislation is the thing now most needed and we can't hope for better times and better laws as long as we send sinful corrupt and fire drinkers and red shirt strife strikers to make laws for us to live under. I don't wonder at all at our State and ann county indebtedness when I just think back two and four years ago of the woe of lawlessness that walked the State like a pestilence.

This I say to one and all "stick to the Constitution of our beloved country for it is true patriotism to do so." These red-shirts have proven their disloyalty already.

A word to all "look well to where we have drifted to and what future results may be by electing corrupt men to power". If every man this fall who loves his God and the welfare of his country will meet at the polls and cast in their vote the red-shirts will be a thing of the past years for independence and Republican success.

JAS. W. FUQUAY.

Fuquay Springs, N. C.

Richmond County Wants Some Legislation.

HAMLET, N. C.

Editor People's Paper. Sir: I notice in a Charlotte paper of the 13th the editor had this to say about the independent movement that is creating some stir in the city. The much heralded independent movement in this community, as far as its ambiguous and equivocal purposes are discoverable, has in view the defeat of the democratic legislative ticket in this county.

Now, Mr. Editor, if that is the idea, there are quite a number of us here who stand ready to join in with the city boys. We are sick of Waterbury clock legislation.

There are about 100 counties in the State; they send from one to three men each to the legislature—about 170 members. There are good, honest, level headed, conservative men in each county that don't belong to rings and are not controlled by town bosses to do our legislation. The county wants some legislation; something they have not had for several years. We, in this part of the county, are going to vote for men who will represent the whole people, if we get a chance, regardless of party color.

DEMOCRATIC HAYSEEDER.

Just for Office.

Chatham Citizen.

Editor Citizen:—Your Goldston correspondence charges that democrats stole the Populists platform and now have stolen republican platforms. Now as a democrat I object to this charge. We favored "free silver" because we wanted the offices and we thought the people would vote us in on that issue. But they did not and as Senator Daniels said "We must change front and get a platform on which we can win." The people have elected the republicans on a gold standard so we want to try that.

Before you republicans talk so much about stealing platforms you ought to think about our situation. Suppose you were out of office and had no principles of your own, as a party, would you not catch at anything that promises a chance of office. We want the offices and if we can see which way the crowd is heading, "them" our principles." D.

ALLIED TRADES JOIN STRIKES.

General Strike at Chicago Stock Yards Began Monday.

Chicago, July 25.—The general strike at the stock yards is an accomplished fact. More than 7,000 mechanics and laborers in the various branches of the packing industry laid down their tools and walked out this morning in sympathy with the butcher workmen.

Added to the number previously on strike the total number now idle in packing towns is close to thirty thousand men and women. Conservative men fear the strike will not stop now, but may extend to involve thousands of workmen only indirectly connected with the packing industry.

Railroad men, such a switchmen and freight handlers, are restive and are ready to refuse to handle the products of the packers if they are but given the word.

Struck Three Boys Aleep on Track.

Portsmouth, Va., July 25.—The fast southbound express on the Seaboard Air Line Railway Sunday morning struck three sleeping boys on the track five and a half miles this side of Littleton, N. C. Elmer Cotton, 18 years old was almost instantly killed; George Hunt, 18 years old, was seriously injured and now lies in a precarious condition at the King's Daughters Hospital in this city; Bernard Cooper miraculously escaped injury of any sort.

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Lynchings in South Carolina.

Charlotte, N. C., June 5.—A special from Middendorf, a small station near Cheraw, S. C., tonight says a mob of one hundred men late last night lynched a negro for an assault upon a white woman. The particulars are yet unobtainable.

SPECIAL RATES ACCOUNT BAPTIST MID-SUMMER MEETING JACKSON SPRINGS, N. C., JUNE 20TH, JULY 1ST, 1904.

The Southern Railway announces account of the above occasion a rate of one and one third first class limited fare plus 25 cents for the round trip, from all points within the State of North Carolina including Norfolk, Suffolk and Danville, Va. Tickets on sale June 18, 19, 20, 23, 24, 28 and 29th, final limit July 2nd.

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Ancient Legal Documents. Two of the oldest legal documents ever presented at the court house at Worcester, Mass., have just been filed at the registry of deeds. One, dated 1786, was a deed of twelve acres of land in Spencer to Nathaniel Bemis of Spencer, yeoman. It was dated Dec. 19, 1786, and the 11th of the independence of the United States. The second document was a deed dated Feb. 1804, and was of three acres of land in Spencer, from Jonas Gullford of Spencer to Nathan Bemis yeoman.

From California is reported the death of Dorsey, trial 209 1-4, brother of the double-gaunted California gelding Ottinger.

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SOUTHERN FARM NOTES.

TOPICS OF INTEREST TO THE PLANTER, STOCKMAN AND TRUCK GROWER.

Pea Hay For Horses.

P. C. M. writes: Pea hay is supposed to have an injurious effect on the kidneys of horses if fed continuously. I have been told that mules are not so affected. Please say if this is a fact and also how much pea hay can be fed horses without injury.

The idea that pea hay has an injurious effect on the kidneys of horses if fed continuously is news to the writer. While the claim of our correspondent may be correct, I have never heard this subject mentioned at farmers' institutes in the State nor has it been called to my attention by letter. I have also visited many farms where horse breeding was engaged in quite extensively and in a number of instances have seen them feed pea hay, and it would seem that if there was anything in the claim that pea hay was injurious to horses that some suggestion would have been made relative to it by these breeders.

Pea hay has been fed to work horses on the station farm for several months at a time without injury so far as we know. The principal reason for discontinuing its use has been due to the high price it commands on the market and the difficulty experienced in securing a sufficient supply to last for a long period. We have not had any experience in feeding it continually to horses, and therefore cannot speak with any authority on this subject, but if any of our readers have had the experience mentioned, we should be glad to have them throw some light on the subject.

I do not believe that pea hay is injurious to mules, because it is the practice of every mule breeder in Tennessee to feed pea hay whenever possible. In fact the fine coat of hair which characterizes the Tennessee mule is attributed largely to the feeding of pea hay. This at least is the belief of feeders with years of experience; men who have handled and fed thousands of mules. I have been told by some of the leading mule feeders of the State that feeders from other sections of the country have frequently visited their places to ascertain if possible how they fed their mules to produce such splendid coats, for while mules in many other sections of the country may be in as good condition, the quality of the hair and the character of the coat do not approach that of the Tennessee feed mule when handled intelligently. It is a common saying among mule feeders in Tennessee that the coat they can put on their mules through the use of pea hay enables them to obtain from \$10 to \$15 more for them than they would otherwise bring. The experience of so many large feeders extending as it does over a number of years is pretty good evidence of the value of pea hay in fattening mules, and it would also seem that it had no injurious effects on these animals.

Just why it should be held that pea hay injures horses and not mules is not clear to the writer, provided the pea hay is of a first class quality. The pea hay is hard to cure and sometimes it is fed when in a moldy and unsatisfactory condition and this might account for the trouble indicated. As much as ten pounds of pea hay is commonly fed to horses and mules in this State. It is rarely if ever fed exclusively, but is generally fed along with mixed hay, corn stover, corn or sorghum silage or sorghum fodder.—Prof. A. M. Soule.

Sorghum and Corn For Silage.

R. H. D., Welbourne, Va., asks: Do you think that sorghum silage is better than corn? I once made on uplands which usually produce ten barrels of corn, twenty-five tons to the acre. This land was heavily manured from the cattle barns. A square rod of corn was cut and weighed in the field so I think there could have been no mistake in the amount made.

In my judgment, writes Prof. A. M. Soule in reply, sorghum silage is just as good for beef cattle as corn, and if anything more satisfactory. It has some great advantages over corn in the South in that it resists drought better, will make a larger yield than corn, and is not so difficult to make into a good quality of silage. Corn becomes ready for the silo almost in a day and if not put up immediately it dries out so rapidly that it frequently has to be wet to preserve it or else it will rot. Sorghum on the other hand retains its juices with wonderful persistence and can be put in the silo any time within a week or ten days, or even longer without injury. If the sorghum is allowed to practically mature before being cut for silage, it makes a sweet silage which is eaten with the greatest relish by all classes of stock. One objection to it from the dairyman's standpoint is that it sometimes taints the milk, though if fed after the cows are milked, there is practically no danger from this source. We have also observed that

Current Items.

In social life Onoto Watanna is Mrs. B. W. Babcock; her maiden name was Winnifred Eaton, and she was born in Nagaaki, Japan. Her father, Edward Eaton, was an Englishman in the consular service, who fell a captive to the charms of Grace Trevelyan—a full-blooded Japanese girl. Imagine a lotus from far-away Japan engrafted upon a rosebush of old England, and in the resultant flower you have Onoto Watanna.

The King of Spain is passionately fond of horseback riding. He began as a boy of 7 and chose bigger horses as he grew up. He is not satisfied with ordinary courses, impended by ditches and hedges, but has a special race course on which he performs the most daring feats.

The royal Italian minister of finance has just granted an Italian firm permission to import, free of duty, electric power by wire from a power station to be erected in Swiss territory. In giving his decision the minister of finance said that no provision had been made in the Italian tariff for taxing imported electric power.

News of the Day.

There is a counterfeiter, of note in his profession for forty years, it is said, who possesses a secret the chemists want, and he will not reveal it, though he is now dying in the Ohio penitentiary. This man, Bob Mason, is serving his fourth term for counterfeiting, and his secret is a chemical method for coloring silver and spurious metals to the hue of gold, and at the same time giving the coins their true ring and weight.

Alarmed by the spread of pneumonia during these summer months, as reported by Health Commissioner Darlington, the New York board of estimate has appropriated \$10,000 to pay the expenses of an expert commission to investigate the subject and devise means for the checking of the disease. Since the beginning of this summer the increase in the death rate from pneumonia has been alarming. In fact since the summer began the number of deaths from this cause has been far greater than the number of deaths from the General Slocum disaster.

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